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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	6.41	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	4.34	5.37	7.09
Yau Ma Tei	6.51	8.45	9.25	10.38	12.09	1.27	4.43	5.37	7.20
Shatin	7.08	9.02	9.42	10.55	12.21	1.39	4.55	5.50	7.32
Taipo	7.17	9.11	9.51	11.04	12.34	1.52	5.08	6.03	7.45
Taipo Market	7.22	9.16	9.56	11.09	12.38	1.56	5.12	6.07	7.49
Fanling	7.33	9.27	10.07	11.20	12.49	2.06	5.23	6.17	7.59
Sheung Shui	7.38	9.32	10.12	11.25	12.53	2.10	5.27	6.21	8.03
Shum Chuen	7.44	9.38	10.18	11.31	12.58	2.16	5.33	6.27	8.09

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum Chuen	7.22	8.06	8.28	10.37	11.40	2.58	4.36	5.12
Sheung Shui	7.29	8.13	8.34	10.44	11.47	3.05	4.44	5.19
Fanling	7.33	8.18	8.38	10.48	11.51	3.10	4.49	5.23
Taipo Market	7.43	8.29	8.48	10.58	12.02	3.21	5.01	5.33
Taipo	7.47	8.34	8.54	11.03	12.07	3.27	5.08	5.37
Shatin	8.00	8.47	9.07	11.16	12.21	3.40	5.23	5.50
Yau Ma Tei	8.14	8.59	9.19	11.30	12.34	3.53	5.37	6.02
Kowloon	8.23	9.09	9.29	11.38	12.42	4.01	5.45	6.10

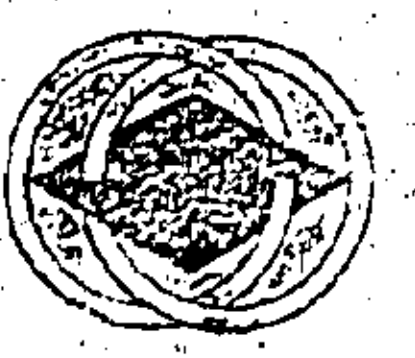
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AS PRISONER BY CHINESE
IN SZECHUAN.

THREATS OF TORTURE AND DEATH.

So many outrages upon foreigners in
the interior of China have occurred dur-
ing the past few months, that it is not
unlikely, says the *N. C. Daily News*, that
the case of a Swiss citizen, Mr. Elly
Widler, imprisoned by the Chinese mili-
tary authorities in Szechuan, has latterly
escaped the attention of the public. Mr.
Widler, when a resident of Chungking,
was arrested by order of General Yang
Sen as far back as September 10th. The
charge against him was of arms smugg-
ling, and to start with a ransom of
\$200,000 was asked. This has not been
paid, and Mr. Widler still remains a
prisoner.

The following summary of his experi-
ences has been compiled from letters
received by his relatives in Shanghai.
Whether Mr. Widler was innocent or
guilty we neither know nor is it the point
of the story.

BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

On September 10th armed soldiers
rushed into the Cosmos Club owned and
managed by Mr. Widler at Chungking and
at the point of loaded rifles captured Mr.
Widler, bound him and took him to the
Magistrate's yamen in the city of Chung-
king. Following his capture a raid was
made on the Cosmos Club by officials of
the Chungking Foreign Office, and all
movable valuables and money were taken
to the Foreign Office Headquarters in
Chungking City. Later in the day Mr.
Widler's private residence situated on the
hill behind the Customs' quarters was
completely looted of its contents. In
their raid on the Cosmos Club—the Chinese
found three sporting rifles and two pis-
tols, property which Mr. Widler had
owned for years and used for self-protec-
tion and game shooting on his numerous
trips in the interior and in Tibet.

After a week's detention as prisoner
in the yamen of the Magistrate he was
brought on trial before the Magistrate
and an official of the Chungking Foreign
Office. It was a mock trial. He was
threatened with being hanged and
killed. The Magistrate of Chungking
asking him in open court, whether he
would feel the pain or not when hanged,
adding, "I can hang you and
have you shot, do you understand?"
At this trial the Magistrate compelled
Mr. Widler to give up the keys of his safe
and personal boxes. This he did. Mr.
Widler was accused of selling arms to
the Southern leaders. Then followed
weeks of imprisonment, Mr. Widler being
marched through the streets of Chung-
king, bound and heavily guarded, from
one yamen to the other.

They came the advance of the Southern
Generals and Yang Sen, and for
retreat. All things looted and taken from
the Cosmos Club, including more than
\$3,000 in money, hundreds of clocks and
watches, curios and merchandise were
handed over to General Yang Sen who
had ordered the arrest of Mr. Widler who
was also handed over. Later Mr. Widler
was asked to buy his release, and \$200,000
was asked, otherwise he was informed
that he would be shot. Then came the
day of defeat and Yang Sen had to
evacuate Chungking. On November 16th,
after spending weeks in a dirty military
gaol, he was forced out, cruelly bound,
and made to march with Yang Sen's re-
treating army all the way from Chung-
king to Wansien—a 10 days tramp. He
was laughed at, mocked at and ill-treated
by the soldiers and numerous ex-bandits
in General Yang Sen's army.

At Wansien he was put into a filthy
public gaol, and there he still remains.

[The Swiss Consul-General at Shanghai
states that the Federal Government have
refused to recognise him as a Swiss
citizen on the ground that he was unable
to establish his claim to Swiss citizen-
ship.]

SUICIDE BY A RELATIVE OF WU PEI-FU.

General Li Tso-chang, civil governor of
Hoi-an and chief adjutant to Marshal Wu
Pei-fu, has reported the suicide of Mr.
Wu Su, a foreign-educated student, who
has been acting as Industrial Commission-
er of Hoi-an in Kailong since last Spring
with satisfaction. According to the de-
patch, the cause of the Industrial Com-
missioner's death was his alleged disaffec-
tion with the Chinese political corrup-
tion and the general instability of the
country and he committed suicide quietly
on the morning of the Chinese lunar new
year day in his own room. He left only
about five hundred dollars worth of prop-
erty and his wife and two sons are now
being supported by Mr. Jen, the acting
Industrial Commissioner, who divides his
salary between himself and his late friend.
The deceased official is a distant relative
of Marshal Wu, who has been deeply im-
pressed by his untimely death because he
was appointed to his present post of re-
sponsibility by his recommendation last
year. In the present time of fierce strug-
gle for money and power amongst the
higher officials of this country it is a
very rare occurrence for a man in Wu
Su's position to commit suicide because of
political dissatisfaction. The deceased
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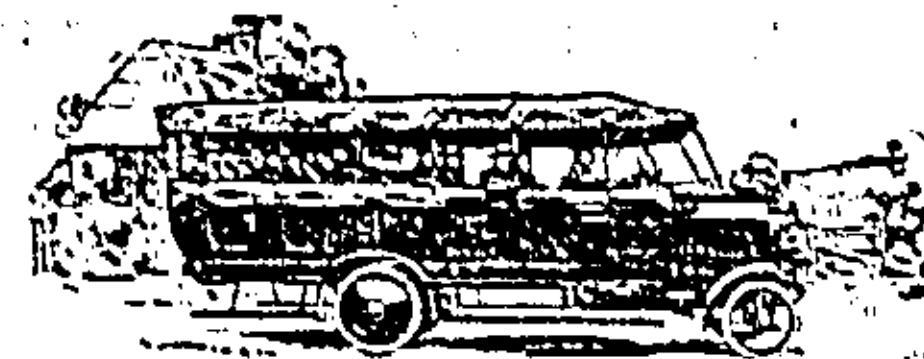
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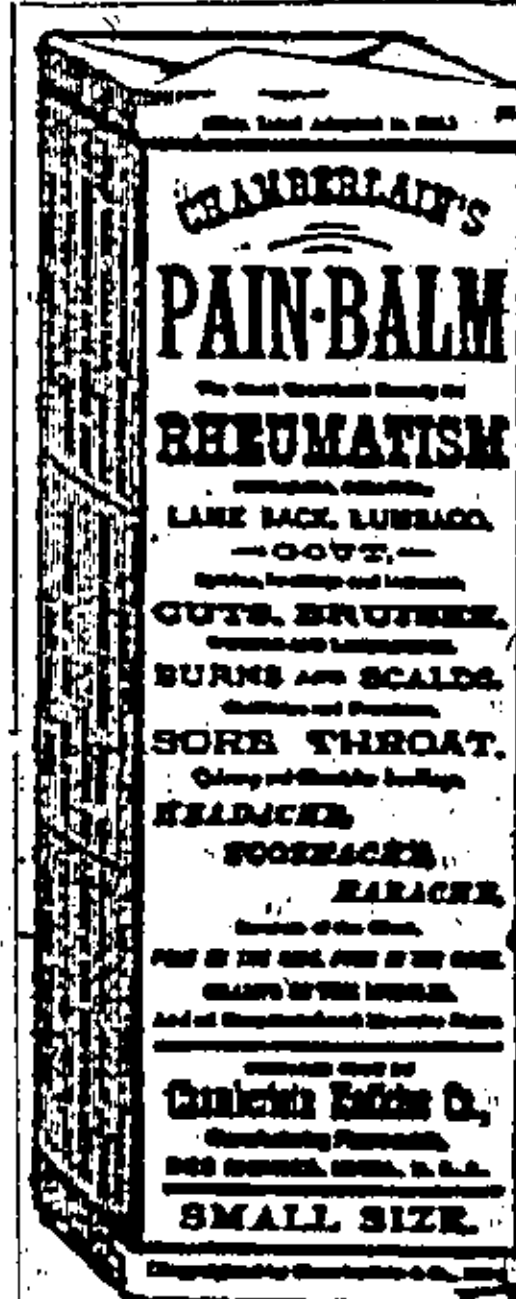
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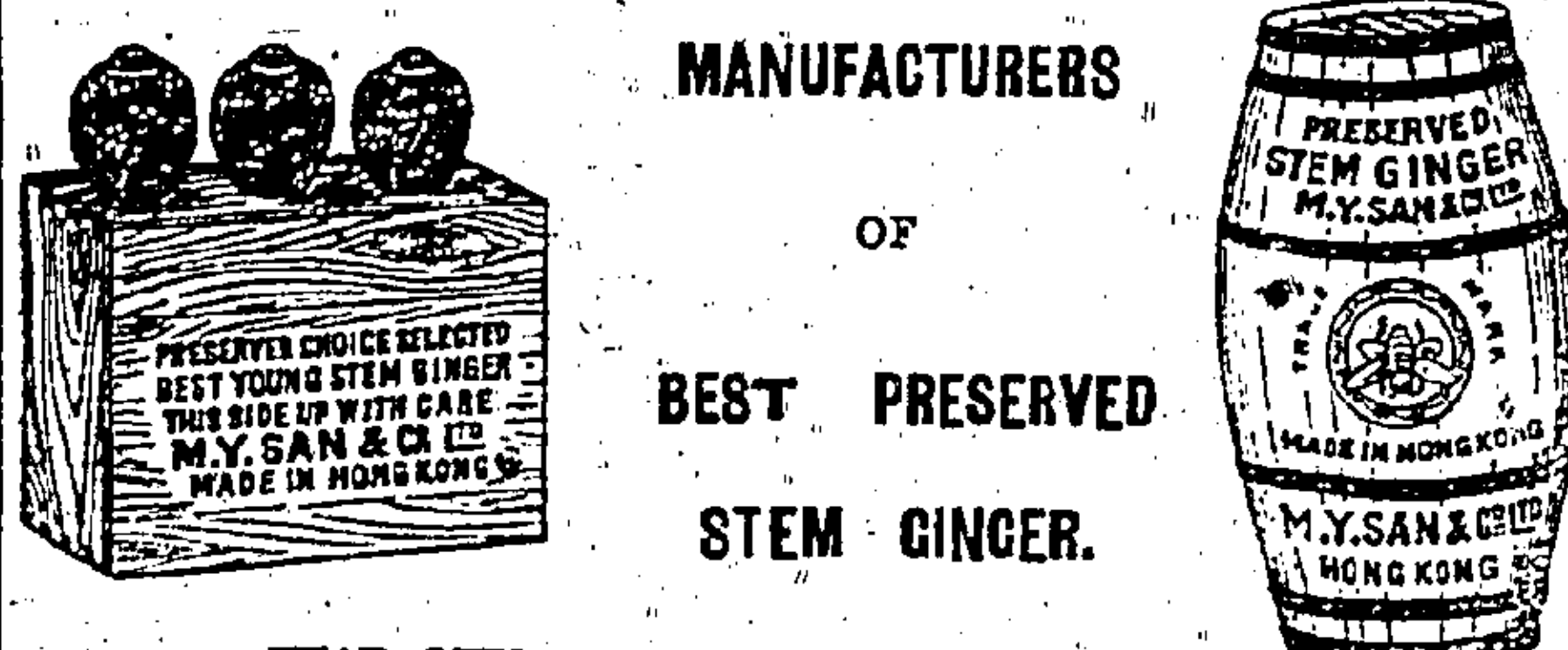
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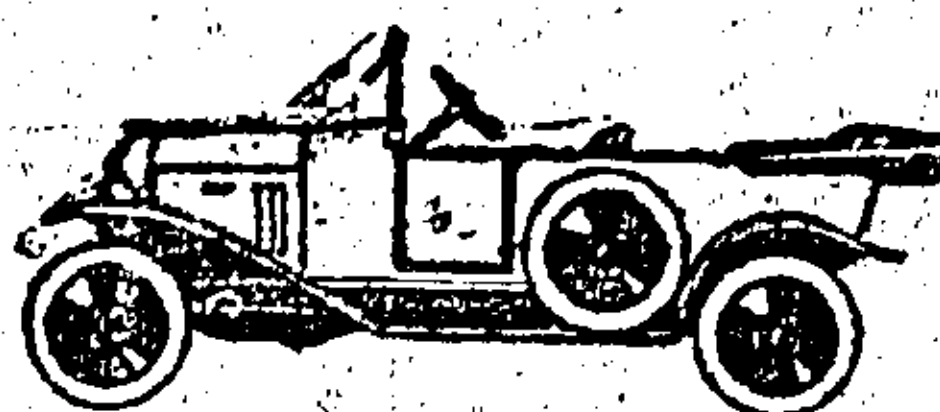
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COMPANY MEETING.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

The nineteenth ordinary annual meeting of the above Company was held at the offices of the general managers (Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd.), Queen's Building, yesterday. Mr. J. P. Warren, Chairman of the Consulting Committee, presided. Other members of the Committee present were the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Messrs. C. J. F. Quarles, Van Loo, Y. Yamamoto, and W. Adamson, shareholders being represented by Messrs. W. Hardwith, Van Eps, F. M. Ellis, Chau Yat Fung, O. Ribeiro, and G. R. Edwards; with Mr. Walter Gray, A.I.C.A. (secretary).

The CHAIRMAN, in moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1923, said: The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days and I will follow the usual custom and take them as read. Profit for the year under review, after writing off depreciation and including income brought forward from last account, amounts to \$5,084.40 which the Consulting Committee recommend applying as follows and I trust this will meet with the approval of the shareholders:—Transfer to Special Repairs Fund, \$5,000; transfer to Insurance Fund, \$4,000; transfer to New Waterboat Building Fund, \$10,000; dividend \$1.25 on 27,723 shares which will absorb \$34,653.75; carry forward to 1924, \$4,207.71. The Superintendent's report shows that all boats are in good condition. Lai Chi Kok wharf suffered severely during the typhoon season. Temporary repairs were made which we hope will hold us over until the new Government basin is completed. There were many difficulties faced during the first four months of 1923, owing to shortage of water, which have been successfully dealt with. During the last few months of the year there was a good water supply and the strain on the boats has been very heavy. The Consulting Committee has decided that the time has now arrived to build a new waterboat. The superintendent and staff have given every satisfaction.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang seconded the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. There were no questions, and the resolution was carried unanimously. Mr. VAN EYOND proposed, and Mr. ADAMSON seconded, that the appointment of Mr. Y. Yamamoto as a member of the Consulting Committee, vice Mr. K. H. Kamei be confirmed. This was unanimously carried. On a proposal by the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. F. M. Ellis, Messrs. Linstead & Davis were appointed auditors vice Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A. In closing the meeting the Chairman announced that dividend warrants were now ready.

COMPANY REPORTS.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

The report of this Company for the year ending December 31st, 1923, states:—The Gross Profit for the year is \$778,077.51. After paying Interest \$232,078.63 and depreciating Plant, etc., by \$70,291.91, there remains a net profit of \$562,906.94 and adding amount brought forward as per last Report \$583,890.29, Interim Dividend paid 5th October, 1923, 240,000.00, 343,659.29 leaves available a sum of \$619,796.96 which the Directors recommend to be appropriated as follows:—To pay a Final Dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum or \$5 per share, \$300,000.00 To carry forward to new account, 319,796.96 \$619,796.96

In accordance with Article No. 90 of the Company's Articles of Association, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater and Mr. H. P. White retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election. Mr. T. G. Weall retired from the Board on leaving the Colony, and Mr. J. P. Warren was invited to join the Board, which appointment requires confirmation at this meeting. Mr. H. P. White has been appointed Chairman for the year 1924.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., for the year ended December 31st, 1923, states:—After providing for a Bonus of 10 per cent. to the European Staff on their salaries and paying the usual bonus to the Chinese Staff at Chinese New Year, the profit on Working Account for the year 1923 amounted to \$1,582,313.54. The Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account (including the sum of \$23,714.10 brought forward from the previous year), after providing for Bad and Doubtful Debts and \$220,533.98 in respect of interest on loans and mortgages, also setting aside \$287,287.89 for depreciation, amounted to \$1,058,790.15. Deducting the Interim Dividend (amounting to \$204,502.50) declared in November last, the sum of \$853,987.65 remains, which your Directors recommend be apportioned as follows:—To Pay a Final Dividend of 75 cents per share on 375,000 shares \$281,250.00 To Pay a Bonus of 50 cents per share on 375,000 shares 167,500.00 To Transfer to General Reserve 250,000.00 To Carry forward to new account 85,237.65 \$853,987.65

The above proposed allocations for the year under review have been incorporated in the accounts, and should these recommendations be adopted, the General Reserve (as you will notice on reference to the Balance-sheet) will be increased from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. Consequently, with the Land and Buildings Reserve standing at \$3,433,767.48 and the Construction and Development Reserve at \$500,000, the total Reserves of the Company will amount to \$4,983,767.48. Mr. C. Montague Ede resigned his seat on the Directorate on the 20th November, 1923. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoake and Mr. E. S. Kadoorie having joined the Board by invitation, these appointments require confirmation at this meeting. The Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., retires by rotation but, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

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MARCH 6TH, 1924.	
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Banks	\$1,145 b.
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Kowloon Wharves	\$173 a.
Whampoa Dock	\$118 a.
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Hongkong Hotels	\$23 a.
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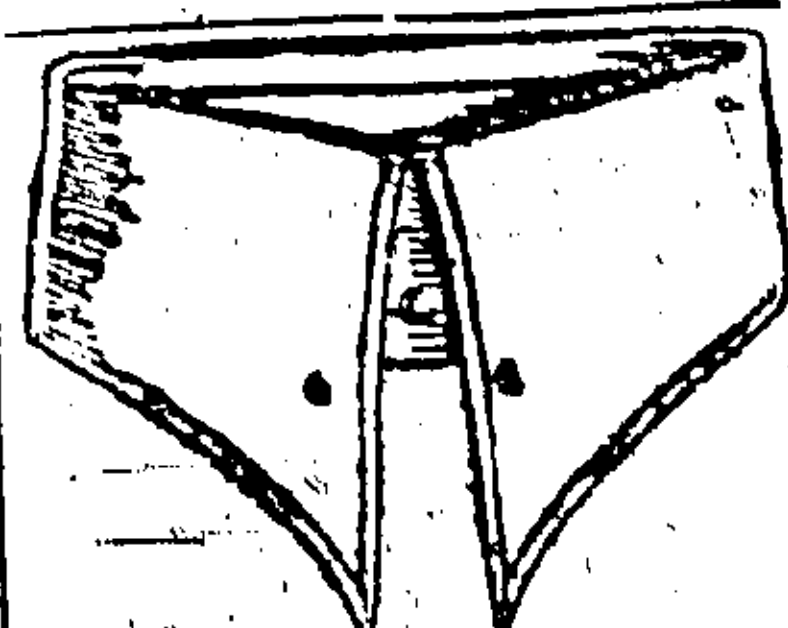
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HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. ANNUAL SHOW OF VEGETABLES AND FLOWERS.

The Horticultural Society's show of flowers and vegetables cultivated by local gardening enthusiasts was held yesterday, in a commodious matchless erected on the Volunteer Headquarters' Parade Ground. The exhibition was favoured with bright sunshine throughout the day, so that the beautiful blooms were seen to the best advantage. The pleasant weather was in decided contrast to the gloomy conditions prevailing last year.

The entries this year were on the small side, owing, no doubt, to the murky weather of the last few weeks. There has been a very noticeable lack of sunshine for days and days at a stretch, which has been decidedly discouraging to many gardeners. On the Peak we have had nothing but dense fogs for weeks past, whilst on the lower levels things have not been a great deal better. Consequently, many intending competitors have had not been able to exhibit. Those exhibits which were staged, were shown to great effect and certainly reflected a deal of credit on the exhibitors. The exhibits in the open class were on the whole quite up to the average, and amongst them a display of cactus dahlias shown by Mr. Ho Fook attracted attention. Larkspur on the whole made a good show, but the Geraniums were not up to the average. Cinerarias, considering the difficulties attached to their cultivation, were pleasing, whilst the display of carnations was above the average. The salvia looked very healthy but the display of nasturtiums was weak. The pansies have been badly affected by the weather, though those shown were good. From the Peak the outstanding exhibits were marguerites and verbenas, whilst Peak vegetables and ferns, in quality. The Hongkong Club scored with a splendid selection of vegetables which carried off the first prize. There was an outstanding display of leeks.

The table decorations were neatly arranged, Mrs. Harrington's entry being quite the best seen and well worthy of the first prize. The baskets of flowers sent by the children were commendable. Mr. Ho Kom Tong staged for the special benefit of spectators a splendid collection of vegetables grown from Sutton's seeds and a fine array of sweet peas which were not for competition. During the afternoon the band of the East Surrey Regiment played a delightful programme of music. Tea was served on the ground, and the general arrangements of the show were above the average. The Committee and the hardworking Hon. Secretary of the Society (Mr. E. B. C. Hornell) are to be congratulated on their efforts.

The duties of judging were carried out by—Open pot flowers: Mr. E. L. Sim and Mr. N. L. Watson; Peak pot flowers: Col. Butterworth and Mr. G. M. Shaw; Open vegetables: Mr. E. F. Aucott and Mrs. M. E. F. Airey; Peak vegetables: Mrs. Choa Po-sin and Mr. L. Gibb; Open cut flowers: Mrs. Dyer and Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; Peak cut flowers: Col. Butterworth and Mr. R. A. Nicholson; General exhibits: Mr. L. Gibb, Mr. N. L. Watson, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Col. Butterworth; Censors: Mrs. Airey, Miss Channey and Mr. J. A. Plummer.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

During the afternoon H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, General Sir John and Lady Fowler visited the exhibition, and amongst others who attended were Sir William and Lady Rees-Davies, and the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, and the Puisne Judge (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz). In asking Lady Rees-Davies to present the prizes, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, President of the Society, extended a cordial welcome to all. In doing so he wished to express his hearty thanks to the members of the Society for their keen interest in the show and to those who had given subscriptions. He expressed pleasure at the interest shown in the proceedings by H.E. the Governor, Lady Stubbs, General Sir John Fowler and Lady Fowler, and went on to say that but for sunshine and the unusual rain for during the season had caused no little anxiety to exhibitors and it was most gratifying to see so many exhibits. He congratulated the prize winners and went on to say that the success of the show was largely due to the heavy work put in by Mr. Hornell with whom he wished to associate the names of Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. L. Gibb, Mr. Piercy and Mr. Plummer, and all those serving on the Committee. He hoped that new comers to the Society would be enthused into joining the Society and taking an active part in the Society's affairs. The Committee would be pleased to receive such names and to give them any advice and assistance. In conclusion he thanked Lieut. Col. Bird and the Officers of the Defence Corps for their kindness in allowing them to use the ground for the function. In asking Lady Rees-Davies to accept a small souvenir of the occasion the President wished Sir William and Lady Rees-Davies a pleasant voyage home and many years of happiness in the "Old Country."

Lady Rees-Davies then presented the prizes and at the conclusion the President called for three cheers for Sir William and Lady Rees-Davies. These were heartily given.

Briefly replying, Sir William said that modesty was characteristic of the women of Hongkong, a virtue which he feared the women of other parts of the world did not possess. He, therefore, replied on behalf of Lady Rees-Davies. In thanking the Society for their kindness in asking Lady Rees-Davies to present the prizes he desired to congratulate the successful exhibitors. The effort for which had surrounded the Peak had interfered with the season but taken altogether it had been a most successful exhibition. Sir William concluded his remarks by thanking Mr. Ho Kom Tong for the good wishes extended to himself and Lady Rees-Davies and in turn wished the Hongkong Horticultural Society every success.

SECTION 1.

Plants in Pots—Open to all, except Peak gardens and Chinese market gardeners.

Marguerite.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Mr. J. H. Taggart.
Nasturtium (Tall varieties).—1, Mrs. Chou; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 3, Kowloon Cricket Club.
Annals (excluding Nasturtiums).—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 3, Mrs. Andrew Tse; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Arums.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Mrs. Chou.
Antirrhinum.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse.
Begonia.—Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Dahlias (excluding Nasturtiums).—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Single Geraniums.—1, Mrs. Chou; 2, Mr. P. C. Potts.
Try-leaved Geraniums.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Dahlias, other than pom poms.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Heliotrope.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Petunia.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Hongkong Club.
Verbena.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Hongkong Club.
Larkspur (Tall varieties).—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Larkspur.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Mr. Ho Fook.
Freesia, white or lemon coloured.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Phlox drummondii.—1, Mrs. J. H. Taggart; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Roses.—1, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Dianthus, excluding carnation, pinks and sweet williams.—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; 2, Lady Ho Tung.
Carnations and/or pinks.—1, Mr. P. C. Potts; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Maiden hair ferns.—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; 2, Lady Ho Tung.
Ferns, excluding maiden hair and asparagus plumosus.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
3 pots of Asparagus plumosus.—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Mignonette.—1, Lady Ho Tung.
French Marigolds.—1, Mrs. Chou; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse.
Nasturtium (dwarf varieties).—1, Mr. Andrew Tse.
Pansies and/or Violas.—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart; 2, Hongkong Club.
Violas.—1, Mrs. Chou; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Stock.—1, Mrs. Ho Fook.
Primula.—1, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse.
Annals, Perennials and/or any plants.—1, Mrs. Harrington; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse; Award of merit, Sir Paul Chater.

SECTION 2.

Plants in pots—Peak gardens only.

Marguerite.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mr. N. C. Wilson; Award of merit, Mr. A. Brearley.
Nasturtium (Tall varieties).—1, Mr. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell; 3, Mr. J. H. Plummer.
Salvia.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Mr. A. Brearley.
Annals (excluding Nasturtiums).—1, Mr. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; Award of merit, Mr. A. Brearley.
Arums.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Arums.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson; Award of merit, Mr. A. Brearley.
Antirrhinum.—1, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell; 2, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Begonia.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Mr. A. Brearley.
Pom Pom Dahlias.—1, Mr. A. Brearley; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Dahlias, other than pom poms.—1, Mr. A. Brearley; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Heliotrope.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson; Award of merit, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Single Geraniums.—Award of merit, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell.
Petunia.—1, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Larkspur (Tall varieties).—1, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Verbena.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson; 2, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Larkspur.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Phlox Drummondii.—1, Mrs. Dyer; 2, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell; 3, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Freesia, white or lemon coloured.—1, Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson; Award of merit, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Nasturtiums (dwarf varieties).—1, Mr. A. Brearley.
Dianthus (including Hybrids but excluding carnation, pinks and sweet williams).—1, Mr. J. A. Plummer.
Carnations and/or pinks.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2, Mr. A. Brearley; Award of merit, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell.
Maiden hair ferns.—1, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell; 2, Mrs. Dyer.
French Marigolds.—1, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Pansies and/or Violas.—1, Mr. A. Brearley; 2, Matilda Hospital.
Violas.—1, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2, Peak Club; Award of merit, Mr. T. E. Pearce.
Stocks.—Award of merit, Mr. A. Cameron.
Primula.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson.
Annals, perennials and/or any plants.—1, Mr. J. A. Plummer.

SECTION 3.

Vegetables, etc.—Open to all, except Peak gardens and Chinese market gardeners.

Collection of vegetables.—1, Hongkong Club.
Cabbages.—1, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Hongkong Club; Award of merit, Lady Ho Tung.
Savoy Cabbages.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Lady Ho Tung.
Cauliflowers or Broccoli.—1, Mr. G. A. Walker; 2, Hongkong Club; Award of merit, Kowloon Cricket Club.
Lettuces (cabbage varieties).—1, Mr. J. H. Taggart.
Lettuces (cos varieties).—1, Hongkong Club.
Endive.—Award of merit, Lady Ho Tung.

Brussels Sprouts.—1, Mr. G. A. Walker; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Kohl Rabi.—1, Mr. G. A. Walker; 2, Hongkong Club; 3, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Turnips.—1, Hongkong Club.
Carrots.—1, Mr. Ho Leung; 2, Hongkong Club; 3, Kowloon Cricket Club.
Parsnips.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. G. A. Walker; Award of merit, Lady Ho Tung.
Onions.—1, Lady Ho Tung.
Leeks.—1, Kowloon Cricket Club; 2, Lady Ho Tung; Award of merit, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Potatoes.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Hongkong Club.
Radishes.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Beans.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Mr. J. H. Taggart.
Heads of Celery.—1, Hongkong Club.
Tomatoes.—1, Kowloon Cricket Club; 2, Mr. Ho Leung.
Pots of Peas.—1, Mr. G. A. Walker.
French Beans.—1, Hongkong Club.
Vegetable Marrows.—1, Hongkong Club; 2, Mr. G. M. Shaw.

SECTION 4.

Vegetables, etc.—Peak gardens only.

Collection of vegetables.—1, Mr. G. G. Franklin; 2, Mr. L. Yates.
Cabbages.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Savoy Cabbages.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Cauliflowers or Broccoli.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Lettuces (cabbage varieties).—1, Mr. J. H. Plummer; 2, Mr. A. Brearley.
Lettuces (cos varieties).—1, Mr. J. H. Plummer; 2, Mr. A. Brearley.
Endive.—1, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell.
Brussels Sprouts.—1, Mr. F. C. Hall; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Kohl Rabi.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Mr. A. Brearley.
Turnips.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson; 2, Mr. G. G. Franklin.
Carrots.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Parsnips.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Leeks.—1, Mrs. Dyer; 2, Matilda Hospital.
Potatoes.—1, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis; 2, Matilda Hospital.
Radishes.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.
Heads of Celery.—1, Mr. G. G. Franklin; 2, Mr. Brearley.
Tomatoes.—1, Matilda Hospital; 2, Mr. A. Cameron.
Vegetable marrows.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson.

SECTION 5.

Cut flowers, open to all, except Peak gardens and Chinese market gardeners.

12 bunches of Cut flowers.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Mrs. Ho Kom Tong.
Sweet Peas.—1, Lady Ho Tung.
Antirrhinum.—1, Lady Ho Tung; 2, Mr. Andrew Tse.
Red or pink roses.—1, Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2, Mr. R. A. Nicholson.
White or yellow roses.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Sir Paul Chater.
Roses any colour.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen; Award of merit, Hongkong Club.
Cactus Dahlias.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson.
Dahlias other than cactus.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Mr. Ho Fook.
Mignonette.—1, Mr. Andrew Tse; Award of merit, Lady Ho Tung.
Nasturtiums.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Mr. J. H. Taggart.
Pansies.—1, Sir Paul Chater; 2, Lady Ho Tung.
Violas.—1, Hongkong Club.

SECTION 6.

Cut flowers—Peak gardens only.

Cut flowers.—1, Mr. N. L. Watson; 2, Mr. F. C. Hall.
Red or pink roses.—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce.
White or yellow roses.—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce.
Roses any colour.—1, Mr. T. E. Pearce.
Carnations and/or pinks.—1, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Cactus dahlias.—1, Mr. A. Brearley.
Dahlias other than cactus.—1, Mr. A. Cameron.
Nasturtiums.—1, Mr. L. Yates; 2, Mr. N. L. Watson.
Pansies.—1, Mr. A. Cameron; 2, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Violas.—1, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2, Matilda Hospital.

SECTION 7.

General Exhibits—Open to all.

Cut roses.—1, Mr. Nicholson.
Cut flowers (to be judged for decorative effect).—1, Mrs. Harrington; 2, Miss Channey.
Basket of cut flowers for children between the ages of 11 and 15 set up by the exhibitor without aid.—1, Miss Letitia Fowler; 2, Miss Peggy Hornell.
Basket of cut flowers for children aged 10 years and under, set up by the exhibitor without aid.—1, Miss Kathleen McElverry; 2, Misses Joan and Nancy Hornell.
Table decoration.—1, Mrs. Harrington; 2, Mrs. Airey; 3, Miss Josephine Nicholson.
Display of cut flowers grown by exhibitor, shown in exhibitor's vases.—1, Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2, Mr. J. H. Taggart.
Group of Bubs (excluding Narcissus tazetta).—Award of merit, Mr. G. M. Shaw.
Annals (excluding Nasturtium).—1, Mr. Andrew Tse.
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Pot plants, Peak.—Mr. L. Yates.
Vegetables, open.—Kowloon Cricket Club.
Vegetables, Peak.—Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.
Cut flowers, open.—Mr. R. A. Nicholson.
Cut flowers, Peak.—Mr. A. Cameron.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber yesterday. There were present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (Sir REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.).
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING THE TROOPS (Major-General Sir JOHN FOWLER, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.).
HON. SIR CLAUDE SEYMOUR, K.B.E., C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).
HON. MR. J. H. KAMM, K.C., C.B.E. (Attorney-General).
HON. MR. MEL MESSER, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer).
HON. MR. H. T. CRASBY (Director of Public Works).
HON. MR. A. E. WOOD (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).
HON. MR. E. D. C. WOLFE (Captain Superintendent of Police).
HON. MR. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.
HON. MR. P. R. HOLYOKE
HON. MR. A. O. LANG
HON. MR. A. R. LOWE
HON. MR. R. H. KOTTEWALL
HON. MR. CHAM SUI KI
MR. A. G. M. FLETCHER, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Clerk of Councils).

The Hon. Mr. CHAM SUI KI made the required declaration and took his seat on the Council, after the Hon. Mr. Chow Sou Nin, on leave.

MINUTES.
The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

PAPERS.
The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. The Governor laid upon the table the following papers:—

Order under section 9 of the Post Office Ordinance, 1920, Ordinance No. 6 of 1920.
Jury List for 1924 (Session Paper No. 2).

FINANCE.
The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. The Governor, laid upon the table Financial Minutes (Nos. 13 to 18) and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. The Governor, then moved that the Report of Finance Committee (No. 2) be adopted.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

MILITARY LANDS.
H.E. THE GOVERNOR said the resolution approving the acceptance of the award of Sir John Oakley in respect of certain military lands, which stood on the agenda, would not be proceeded with at this meeting.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK NOTE ISSUE.

The Hon. ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance, 1906. He said:—The object of this Bill is to increase the limit of the ordinary note issue from 30 million dollars to 40 million dollars. Under this Bill there will be no reduction in the amount of security held by the Bank against the note issue. As a matter of fact the Bank is assuming the additional obligation expressed in paragraph D clause 2, that in future it will hold in coin at least one-third of its bills and notes actually in circulation. Apart from that paragraph the provisions of the Bill are concerned solely with the increase of the limit of the note issue and consequential amendments.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the first reading was agreed to.

THE RENTS ORDINANCE.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend further the Rents Ordinance, 1922.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.
The Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: I am glad that the Government, after careful enquiry into statistics as to reconstruction, has seen its way to bring forward the present measure which will give a desirable check to the reconstruction of houses which are in a good condition. My only regret is that when the subject of reconstructing houses was brought forward in this Council in June last the Government were not able to adopt then the same attitude they are able to adopt now. The matter of the undesirability of unnecessary reconstruction was pressed without avail upon the Government by the unofficial members, with the result that the Hon. Attorney-General informed us at the last meeting of this Council that, at about the middle of January there were 128 houses being reconstructed, which before the commencement of reconstruction were comparatively new and sound. On this matter there was an interesting article in the South China Morning Post on the first of this month, pointing out that these 128 houses, assuming an average height of three storeys representing about 375 flats and taking the figure of 10 residents in each of these 375 flats it would mean that 3,750 people have been rendered homeless by reason of the reconstruction of houses which were in tolerably good condition.

I speak with some feeling upon this particular aspect of the subject because only two days ago I received through the post a letter which I will read to the honorable members of this Council. It is addressed to me as a member of the Legislative Council Council, and it is dated 3rd March, 1924. It says:—

Cooke St. Houses Nos. 37, 38, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75.

"We the undersigned have taken the liberty in addressing you on a subject which is of the utmost importance to ourselves and which we trust is not wholly without interest to you."

"We are the occupants of the above houses and did receive three months' notice to quit from our landlords, Messrs. W. S. Yip & Co. and others, in order to allow these houses to be reconstructed. This notice expired at the end of January 1924."

"It appears that the motive of our landlords in doing this act is to force us to tenants to give him a substantial increase of rent, and we are given to understand that if we are willing to grant him an increase of about \$10.00 per flat per month he will allow us to remain in possession or otherwise the houses are to be reconstructed."

"We being mostly workmen with families, and shrouded with limited capital, find it impossible to grant this exorbitant increase, especially as we are now passing through very hard times, and we being powerless, have either to submit to this exorbitant demand and live a hand to mouth existence in doing so, or shift out into the streets, for the house shortage is still very acute over here for it is impossible to find new accommodation for us in number in all over one thousand souls."

"The above houses which are three storeys high are not old buildings and are still in a good and habitable condition, and the only reason which our landlords have in reconstructing these buildings are those stated above."

"We lately applied to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to help us in this matter but he told us that he was powerless to help us, and we, knowing you are the people's friend in these kinds of affairs, have as a last resort addressed this to you in the hope that you will take this matter up with the Government and obtain redress for us, and cause our landlords to cancel his evil intentions of pulling down these buildings, and it will be the means of keeping a shelter over the heads of one thousand souls in all, and we could then work and live in peace without being in continual dread of having to shift into the streets."

"Trusting most earnestly you will use your good offices to intercede for us in this matter, and for which you will have the everlasting gratitude of us and our families, and anxiously waiting in anticipation. We have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient servants."

A number of Chinese signatures follow: That letter was received by me on Tuesday morning last, and I at once took steps to get into communication with Mr. Wright, of the Building Ordinance Office, for the purpose of ascertaining whether these houses were still in a good and habitable condition. I ascertained from Mr. Wright that although these houses were of a good type—they were built immediately before the passing of the Building Ordinance of 1903—they were structurally perfectly sound and are capable of being inhabited for a number of years to come, apart from extraordinary accidents. In regard to this case the plans for reconstruction were sent in some time ago, and the usual certificates under the present law have been given, which state only that new houses are to be reconstructed under the authority of the new Ordinance of 1922.

I bring this case before the notice of Your Excellency in order to ask whether the Government cannot do something in this matter. A somewhat parallel case occurred last year, when ten tenants of Jutter Street were being turned out. On this case being brought to the notice of the Council (page 51 of Hansard, 1923), the Government made arrangements to house the tenants in temporary quarters on a large piece of ground immediately adjoining. If any accommodation will think it proper to adopt a similar course in the present case, and that temporary buildings will be arranged for these people to move into in the meantime. I think, Sir, that this is a measure which, out of compassion for these people, should be adopted by the Government.

With regard to clause 3 of the present Bill, I propose to move an amendment in Committee that the word "structural" be inserted before the word "condition" in the ninth line of the clause. This will mean that the Building Authority, in considering whether he shall grant his certificate or not will merely take into account the structural condition of the houses, and that he will not have to go into any other questions such as questions under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance. The question will simply be whether these houses are habitable from a structural point of view, a condition very much the same as in his learned Attorney-General's put in his "Objects and Reasons" that is to say, "Objects and Reasons" that is to say, "that the houses are in a reasonably good condition. I think, Sir, at the present time, when there is such a demand for new buildings, the Government ought not to sanction the pulling down of houses merely for the erection of other houses on the same site, while there is such a prime necessity for the erection of new houses on new sites, and especially having regard to the fact that the available supply of building materials and building labour in this Colony is limited. I hope the Government will accept this suggested amendment when we go into Committee on this Bill. That will not prevent, except in exceptional cases, the Governor in Council exercising in an exceptional case and for exceptional reasons giving a certificate on any ground. The point I want to make is simply that so far as the Building Authority is concerned, the simple test should be whether the houses are in a good structural condition from the habitable point of view."

Next, Sir, I should like to say a few words upon the renewal of the Rents Ordinance, because that question naturally arises in connection with any amendments to the Rents Bill. At the last meeting of the Council I gave notice of a motion that I should move that the Bill be continued for another year. That became unnecessary, and I am not going to pursue it, on receiving Your Excellency's assurance that it will be brought forward later as a Government motion. But I should like to say that in my opinion, even in June, 1923, we shall not be at the end of our present housing troubles. I understand that the Government has recently arrived at the conclusion that the present number of inhabitants of this Colony is some 1,300,000 people. Bearing in mind the fact that the Census for 1921 gave us a population of 850,000, and then allowing for the fact that that was considered to be underestimated and that 750,000 was nearer the mark, the population of the Colony has increased by over 500,000 people. Under these circumstances, Sir, coupled with the continued disturbances in the neighbouring provinces of China, I think it must be realised that anything like a normal state of affairs as regards the rents problem is a considerable distance off. I mention these facts because it has been the custom of the Government, at every renewal of the Rents Ordinance which has taken place since the original Rents Ordinance was passed, to express the hope that that would be the very last time it would be necessary to renew the Rents Ordinance. I am going to say that for my own part, I cannot see the smallest prospect of conditions returning to the normal for a considerable period of years. Even if we can imagine—a big stretch of the imagination—that affairs in Canton would calm down and become normal—even then the disturbances of the past several years in the neighbouring provinces are such as to render it difficult to restore confidence there for a good many years to come.

In connection, Sir, with the abnormal demand for buildings in this Colony, I would like to enquire of the Director of Public Works what steps have been taken, and whether steps have proved effective, for carrying out certain recommendations made by the Commissioners on the Housing Question with regard to the increase of staff in the Survey department and in the Building Ordinance department of the Public Works Department. My fellow Commissioners and I were very much surprised by the fact that both of these departments are seriously undermanned, and we should like some assurance that adequate steps are being taken to remedy this defect. I therefore take this opportunity of asking whether steps have been taken to carry out the recommendations contained in paragraph 60 of the Commissioners' Report, and to refer to the recommendation that the Government should forthwith endeavour to engage the services of a temporary engineering and surveying staff from the local naval and military force. I think, Sir, that is all I have to say on the second reading of the Bill.

Hon. Mr. KOTTEWALL: The hon. senior unofficial member has referred to a letter he has received from a number of tenants in Cooke Street. A similar letter has been sent to my Chinese colleague and myself, and we hope, Sir, that the Government can find it possible to do something for these tenants in the direction indicated.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: I do not grudge Mr. Pollock the satisfaction of thinking he had converted Government to his view, but I am bound to point out that the decision arrived at in June last year was not a Government decision, but was a personal view which apparently had own personal view which apparently had own weight in the Council with the official majority. I was careful to say at the time that I left the matter to the unbiased discussion and judgment of the Council. I still adhere to much that I said on that occasion. The fact that it is so advantageous to landlords to destroy insanitary property, to pull down such houses and build bigger ones, was improving affairs in the Colony to a considerable extent. I confess that where I went wrong was when I credited the landlords with having more public spirit and more refined ideas of common honesty than they appear to possess. I thought a landlord would only pull down his premises to get a substantial improvement. I did not suppose that many were prepared to go to extreme lengths of destroying good buildings to evade the law. I can only express my regret that I took a higher view of humanity than seemed to be justified by local circumstances, and that the hon. member took a more correct view than I did.

In regard to the question of the premises in Cooke Street, if the hon. member will forward his communication to the Colonial Secretary we will look into the matter, but I should like to observe that there are points of difference between this matter and the Rutter Street case, in which the hon. member was performing unattractive but very useful functions in the interests of the community. It was for these men, in the interests of the community, that we took care to provide accommodation. In the present case, if my memory serves me, the people in Cooke Street are, almost without exception, employed by the Dock Company and the Cement Works, and I submit that it is a proper thing for wealthy companies of that nature to provide accommodation for their working class rather than to expect their less wealthy citizens to assist them through the medium of the Government.

The hon. members went on to deal with the question of the renewal of the Rents Ordinance. I feel some diffidence, after what the hon. member said, but I venture to express my opinion, and again wish to express the honest thought that this will be the last time. If it is not the last time, I shall have no hesitation in moving a further amendment. I do not propose to bring it forward as a Government resolution. I fancy that the inclinations and consciences of the official members are in accordance with my own in this matter.

The hon. member referred to the fact that according to a very curious and recondite method, he believed the population of this Colony to be about 1,300,000. I am not absolutely satisfied with the data on which that conclusion was based but in any case it does not mean necessarily that there has been a very great increase in the Census figures of 1921. Officials arrived at the conclusion that the population of the Colony in certain respects was about 1,300,000. I think it possible that at the time of the Census the real facts were somewhere in between. As the hon. member rightly said, a great deal depends upon the restoration of order in Canton, and as he also said, the present circumstances do not seem to indicate that the restoration of order is a matter of imminence.

In regard to an increase in the Public Works staff I must leave this to the Director of the Public Works Department, who will more or less be able to deal with it.

The Director of Public Works: At the present time several officers are on their way out. We have received notice that they are to come. I should like, if I may, to submit a statement on the point of staff. I think we had four additional men since we were first asked to obtain men. We have indicated for men, but there has been considerable difficulty in obtaining them.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: What branch of the P.W.D. are these men for?
The Director of Public Works: Two are for the Survey Department and I think I am correct in saying one will be relieved to go to the Building Ordinance Department, when an additional man for the Architectural Department arrives.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: Has there been any difficulty? Have some men failed to come?
The Director of Public Works: Not in the two departments you mention; in the Architectural Department, yes.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK: What was the reason?
The Director of Public Works: They did not give the reason. They sent a telegram to say that the man had withdrawn.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: I think the explanation is that men were not available owing to interruption in training during the war.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved that the Council go into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

In Committee, the Hon. Mr. POLLOCK moved to amend clause 3 by inserting in the ninth line the word "structural" before the word "condition" for reasons he had given in the Council.

The Director of Public Works seconded, and the amendment was agreed to.

On Council resuming the ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the third reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the motion was agreed to.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: The Council will adjourn till this day week at 2.30 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was afterwards held, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

WIRELESS TELEPHONS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$3,600 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Miscellaneous, Installation of Wireless Telephones at the Water Police Station and Cheung Chau Island.

The CHAIRMAN: This has already been approved by the Finance Committee.

WIRELESS AT WAGLAN AND THE POST OFFICE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$5,400 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, Installation of Wireless at Waglan Lighthouses and General Post Office.

The CHAIRMAN: This was before the Finance Committee, but only the Waglan installation was mentioned. I assume the approval of hon. members extends to the Post Office installation also, as recommended by the Electrical Engineer. The Waglan installation cost \$400, and the balance for the Post Office installation.

Approved.

GRANT TO BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$4,000 on account of Miscellaneous Services, Grant to the Hongkong Boy Scouts Association.

The CHAIRMAN: This vote and the method of its administration have been approved by the Finance Committee.

MOTOR-CAR HIRE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$1,300 on account of Medical Department, Other Charges, Motor-car Hire.

The CHAIRMAN: A thousand dollars of this sum is required for hire of cars by the Medical Officer supervising native hospitals in Kowloon. The \$300 is for transferring Hospital Sisters between the lower tram terminus and the Government Civil Hospital. Some sisters have to live at Victoria Hospital as there is not sufficient room at the Government Civil Hospital.

Approved.

BENT ALLOWANCE TO INDIAN AND CHINESE POLICE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$12,750 in aid of the vote Police Department, Personal Emoluments, Bent allowance to Indian and Chinese Police.

The CHAIRMAN: This has been approved by the Finance Committee.

MARRIED QUARTERS FOR THEM SHA TRUI POLICE.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$16,000 on account of Miscellaneous Services, Erection of Married Quarters for the Garage at Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station.

The CHAIRMAN: This vote has also been approved by the Finance Committee.

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NOTICE.

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Members intending to invite guests are requested to notify Mr. C. C. Hunt, Hon. Secretary, Corporation, or the Undersecretary.

C. C. HUNT,
Hon. Secretary.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS will be held on the following dates in 1924 (weather permitting):—

26th March.
19th and 21st April.
14th May.
7th and 9th June.
11th and 13th October.
8th November.
12th November.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

ORINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TROLIUS" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at the consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 6th March.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th March will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersecretary on or before the 26th March, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1924. [462]

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

From MIDDLESBRO' ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENLAWERS."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersecretary on or before the 26th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be counter-signed by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1924. [469]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

WE have This Day admitted Mr. ATHELSTAN HOLT WHITE as Partner in our Firm.

DOUGLAS LAURAIE & CO.
Hongkong, March 1st, 1924. [433]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1924, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st October, 1923.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 11th day of March, to Monday, the 17th day of March, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1924. [456]

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, Paddar Street, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1924, at 11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Year ended the 31st December, 1923, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 14th March, 1924, until Saturday, the 22nd March, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PERCY H. SUKLING,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1924. [450]

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, HONGKONG, on THURSDAY, the 20th MARCH, 1924, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1923.

THE SHARE REGISTERS and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd March, 1924 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1924. [448]

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF CALL.

Issue of \$5,000 SHARES of the NOMINAL VALUE of \$10 EACH (\$7.50 paid up).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Final Call of \$2.50 per Share on each of the 20,000 Shares allotted on the 8th day of November, 1923, has been made by the Company, and that such Call will be payable to the Company's Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 15th day of MARCH, 1924.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 15th March, both days inclusive.

For and on behalf of the
HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Dated the 32nd day of February, 1924. [445]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

IN Future All Race Meetings held after the Annual Race Meeting will be known as "EXTRA RACE MEETINGS" and will be Official.

Criticism having run at one of these Meetings will not be "admissible" to run as such at any subsequent Extra Meeting or Annual Meeting unless the conditions of a Race specifically provide therefor.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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HONGKONG DOG & CAT SHOW, 1924.

BY kind permission of the Officer Commanding the Hongkong Defence Corps, a Show will be held on the PARADE GROUND on SATURDAY, 15th MARCH, at 2 p.m.

There will be classes for all kinds of Dogs including cross Breeds and Puppies, also Litters of Puppies.

If sufficient entries are received, there will be classes for Cats also.

Entry forms may be had from the undersigned.

Entries Close on TUESDAY, 11th INST., at 5 p.m. and intending competitors are notified that owing to the trouble in compiling the catalogue no entries can possibly be accepted after that date.

B. L. FROST,
Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.
c/o THE H. K. TELEGRAPH CO.

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REUTERS, LIMITED.

(COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL SERVICES)

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(3RD FLOOR)

ICE HOUSE STREET.

TELEPH. CENTRAL 4572.

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JOSEPH CROSFIELD & SONS, LTD.

WE have This Day Taken over the CHEMICAL AGENCY of Messrs. JOSEPH CROSFIELD & SONS, LTD., from Messrs. HOLYOAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD.

BRUNNER, MOND & CO. (CHINA), LIMITED.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1924. [441]

JOSEPH CROSFIELD & SONS, LTD.

WE have This Day Transferred the CHEMICAL AGENCY of Messrs. JOSEPH CROSFIELD & SONS, LTD., to Messrs. BRUNNER, MOND & CO. (CHINA), LTD.

HOLYOAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1924. [442]

ANNOUNCEMENT.

MESSRS. HOLYOAK MASSEY & CO., LTD., have This Day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and South China for the Sale of Our Products which include all descriptions of ENAMELS, PAINTS, VARNISHES, etc.

PARIPAN, LIMITED.
Sherwood House, Piccadilly Circus, London.

Masters by appointment to His Majesty The King.

R. FAIRLIE HOBSON,
Overseas Director.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of March, 1924, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of CROWN LAND at Ho Ma Tin in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area	Approx. Value
1.	Lot 1, Ho Ma Tin, containing 107,100 sq. ft.	107,100	728
2.	Lot 2, Ho Ma Tin, containing 90,750 sq. ft.	90,750	628

As per sale plan.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY.

the 11th, 12th and 13th March, 1924, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, HONGKONG, and at Kowloon NAVAL DEPOT, commencing each day at 9.30 a.m. with an interval from 12 Noon to 1.30 p.m.

OLD AND SURPLUS NAVAL STORES, &c., &c.

Comprising:—

Money Chests, Dingies, Whalers, Cutters, Electrical and Wireless Telegraphy Fittings, Electric Cable, Cooking Stoves, Ships' Fittings, Iron Beds, Mattresses and Fittings, Life Boats, Life Belts, Carpenters' Tools, Table Covers, Blankets, Curtains, Canvas, India Rubber and Metal Hoops, Old Cordage, Canvas Bags, Old India Rubber, Old Leather, Old Woollen and Linen Bags, Old Asbestos, Old Cork, Old Iron & Steel, Old Brass, Copper, Lead and Gun Metal, Copper and Brass Tubes, Coal Sacks, Wood, Iron and Gun Metal Blocks, Lamps, Ganges, Steel Tubes, Old Steel Wire Ropes, Mineral Oil, Chain Cable, Drilling Machines, Lathes, Power Driven Saws, Pinnaces and Cutter Engines, Tables, Compasses, Clocks, Iron Drums, Old Packing Cases, Packing Boards, Old Casks, &c.

Lots may be inspected on MONDAY, the 10th March, 1924.

Also sale of Old and Surplus Victualling Stores at Kowloon ON FRIDAY, 14th March.

Comprising:—

Table Linen, Implements, Serge, Flannel, &c., Bonnets, Blankets, New Boots, Shoes and Caps, Sundry Articles of Mess'ry Table Gear and Clothing, Condemned Provisions for Poultry Feeding, &c.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed in Catalogue.

HUGHES & ROUGH, LTD.,
By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1924. [459]

TO-DAY TILL SATURDAY,

AT

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BIRTH.

FORREST.—At Shanghai, on February 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. H. FORREST, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

CHASSIS.—MARTIN.—At Shanghai, on February 28th, THOMAS RAE CHASSIS to MARGARET MUIR MARTIN.

DEATHS.

FARROW.—At Bournemouth, on January 3rd, ELIZABETH FARROW, aged 82 years, late of Shanghai.

HYKES.—At Chengchow, Honan, on Feb. 28th, Mrs. REAN S. HYKES, widow of the Rev. J. R. HYKES, D.D.

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

Hongkong, March 7th, 1924.

THE "DESPISED" CASTE

IN JAPAN.

Not the least important among the many evidences of the growing Bolshevist spirit in Japan which have been afforded in recent years we count the cable of a few days ago reporting that a national convention of the "despised Eta" has been held at Kyoto, attended by thousands of this pariah class, with whom the socialists and anarchists are associating themselves.

A million of these Eta people are said to be scattered over Japan, and the fact that they are the "despised" of the people is, in this age of ever-growing freedom, a manifest inspiration to revolt.

But it is a social rather than a political problem, since the Eta labour under no political disabilities, we believe, which are not common to the Japanese people as a whole. The Eta, as we have said, are the pariahs of Japan. Their origin is obscure. Some see in them, says an authority, the descendants of Korean captives brought to Japan during the wars of the latter part of the sixteenth century. By others they are considered to be the illegitimate descendants of a famous general who lived in the twelfth century. Even the etymology of the name, says Professor CHAMBERLAIN, is a subject of dispute among the learned, some of whom believe it to be derived from the Chinese compound "eta" meaning "defilement abundant," while

others derive it from the Japanese word "eta," meaning "food-catchers," in allusion to the slaughtering of cattle and other animals, which, together with skinning such animals, digging criminals' graves and similar degrading occupations, have constituted their means of livelihood. Professor CHAMBERLAIN himself is inclined to date back the first gradual organisation of the Eta as a separate class to the seventh or eighth century when the introduction of Buddhism had caused all those who were connected in any way with the taking of life to be looked on with horror and disdain. We have heard them referred to as the Hakkas of Japan, but there would appear to be no warrant for associating the two classes of people with the same origin if the date of the origin of the Eta goes no further back than the seventh or eighth century. The Hakkas of China at all events have a much older origin than even Prof. CHAMBERLAIN ascribes to the Eta of Japan, for their origin is said to date back to 250 B.C. The Eta and the Hakkas, however, have something in common. The Hakkas often live in villages of their own in the midst of a population which is distinct in language and customs, to a slight extent in dress, and even in some of the idols they worship. The same with the Eta of Japan. There are hamlets of what are called these "special tribes" all over the country. The legal distinction between the Eta and other persons was abolished in 1871, at which time the official census gave 257,111 as the number of Eta properly so called, and 952,800 as the total number of outcasts of all descriptions. If there are now not more than a million of these people in Japan, as the cable reports, there has been practically no change in their numbers in fifty years. There is plenty of evidence to be found in Japan to-day, however, that the "scorn of the Eta has naturally survived the abolition of their legal disabilities." Though many Eta have become prosperous in recent years the ordinary Japanese do not care to eat with them, marry with them, or even talk with them. A large number of them are still restricted, says a recent publication, to earning a living as butchers, skin and leather workers and grave diggers, and the same authority says that "the members of these 'special tribes' believing themselves to be 'despised' without cause, usually make some effort to hide the fact that they are Eta." Thus, their very humility may be said to have kept them where they are, but now that we see them attending a national convention in their thousands it is clear that a new spirit has been infused among them—a spirit of revolt, and the fact that the convention has been noteworthy chiefly because of manifestations of sympathy with the leaders of revolt in India and with Soviet Russia pretty clearly indicates that there has been active Russian propaganda amongst them. If it be true, as we believe, that these people labour under no legal disabilities whatever, their grievances would appear to be entirely social, and the effort of getting fifty-five millions of people to change their general attitude towards the despised million, to induce them to mix socially with them, to eat with them and to intermarry, would seem to be a long and toilsome process not to be gained by the methods of the Swarnists and the Bolshevists, but only by the slow process of education and gradual social reform.

Second Lieut. D. A. Searle, 1st Bn. East Surrey Regt., has been appointed temporary A.D.C. to Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., vice Lieut. H. L. C. Hall, R.G.A.

The Hongkong Jockey Club announce in our advertisement columns the Extra Race Meetings to be held during the year. They are seven in number, three of them being two-day meetings. The first takes place on March 25th.

The task of raising sufficient funds to meet military expenses at Canton is becoming increasingly difficult. It is stated that revenue remitted to Headquarters averages \$9,000 a day, while the military expenses amount to \$50,000 a day.

It is announced that Mr. John Scott Harston has retired from the firm of Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton, solicitors, that Mr. R. F. Mattingly has been admitted a partner and that the business of the firm will in future be carried on under the style of Deacons.

Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, who last year visited Hongkong to advise the Government in regard to the improvement of Harbour facilities, has been selected by the British Government to make a full survey and to prepare plans and estimates for the construction of a road tunnel between Gravesend and Tilbury.

Many in Hongkong who remember Major (now Lieut.-Colonel) F. J. Bowen of the Army Pay Corps, will be interested to know that he has just published a little book of twenty-three poems (Shakespeare Head Press, Stratford-on-Avon). Lieut.-Colonel Bowen's poetic gifts are well known to many Hongkong readers especially of the Roman Catholic community, for he was a frequent contributor to *The Rock* while residing in Hongkong, and many little poems have been contributed to that magazine since he returned to England. Lieut.-Col. Bowen certainly has the poetic gift, and his collected pieces are well worth enshrining in a little volume.

Another group of world-tourists—nearly seven hundred in number—arrived in Hongkong yesterday morning, on the Cunard Line s.s. *Laconia*, which came from America via Japan and Shanghai. The tourists will be with us until Sunday morning, when the ship proceeds on its round-the-world trip. The usual excursions have been arranged to the Peak, the New Territories, Repulse Bay, Canton, etc., all local arrangements being in the hands of the Hongkong Hotel's travel department. The *Laconia*, it may be remembered, visited the Colony on a similar voyage fourteen months ago. On that occasion a description of the ship was published in these columns.

Following is a comment from the *Canton Gazette* on the assumed piratical seizure of a ferry boat in Hongkong harbour last Sunday night:—"Despite all the precautions and the boasts of the Hongkong papers respecting the efficiency of Hongkong, cases of crime occur with perhaps more frequency in Hongkong than in Canton, and with peace and social conditions prevailing in Hongkong at that. Thus one can readily appreciate the enormous task of the Canton authorities to maintain order and prevent crimes, and the fact that Canton enjoys comparative peace and security despite these warring times, speaks volumes for the efficiency of the city administration."

BRITISH MOTOR BOAT SEIZED.

CHINESE SOLDIERS' ACTION.

News comes from Canton, to the effect that a British motor-boat has been seized by Chinese soldiers whilst plying on the river. She was later recovered and restored to her owners by the M.S. *Robin*. The soldiers came on board at Canton, and producing official documents took the boat to Shek Chan. The news of the seizure was reported to the British Consul-General who arranged with the Commander of the H.M.S. *Robin* to be despatched after her.

KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

SITE SELECTED.

The Committee of the Union Church, Kowloon, have decided on a site for their new church, in the vicinity of the new Kowloon Hospital and will make application for the site.

In the meantime the Committee has decided to erect a temporary church on the small plot of ground near Cox's Path, which adjoins Jordan Road. Union Church services are now being held in the Central British School.

THE MISSING LAUNCH.

STILL NO WORD.

The missing ferry-launch has not yet been traced, neither is there any clue to her whereabouts. News of the passengers and crew should reach Hongkong, if they are still alive, during the next day or so. So far, the names of 42 passengers have been supplied to the Ferry Company by relatives.

COOL CUSTOMERS.

ARMED ROBBERS KILL COOK AND EAT A MEAL BEFORE LEAVING.

A report of an audacious armed robbery comes to hand from the New Territories. On the night of the 3rd inst. three men with daggers and two with guns visited the house of an unemployed Chinese named Nam Fong, of Tuen Wan Village. On being refused admission they fired several shots into the air, and then burst open the door of the house and stole property to the value of \$100.00. Before leaving, they killed four chickens, cooked themselves a meal, and finally left the premises at 5 a.m., after being in the house for something like seven hours.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

STRIKES IN GERMANY.

ANILINE WORKERS FIRE ON POLICE.

BERLIN, March 5th.
A number of employes at the Baden Aniline Works, at Ludwigshafen, struck yesterday, refusing to work nine hours a day.

The strikers to-day forcibly entered the works and ejected those who were working.

The police were summoned and the strikers opened fire. There were a number of casualties on both sides in the ensuing fight.

GENERAL SHIP-YARD STRIKE DECLARED.

A general strike has been declared in the ship-yards at Hamburg, Bremen, Lubbeck and Stettin.

MUNICH TREASON TRIAL.
CHIEF PROSECUTOR REFUSES TO CONTINUE.

MUNICH, March 5th.
The treason trial was suddenly interrupted by the chief prosecutor, refusing to continue owing to humiliating attacks by counsel for the defence.

The second prosecutor requested an adjournment while he consulted his superiors.

EGYPTIAN STRIKE SITUATION.

CAIRO, March 5th.
The Procurator-General is enquiring into the spread of Communistic ideas among Alexandria workmen and the possibility of ramifications in the provinces. Employes of the Vacuum Oil Company, Ltd., have struck.

Workers at the Kafrelzayat Cotton Company's factory have returned, but the Abouhanan Cotton Oil factory, of which the employes forcibly took possession and then evacuated, are still closed, the proprietors refusing to compromise on the men's demands.

FRENCH POLITICAL PARTY EXPULSION.

PARIS, March 5th.
The Executive Committee of the Radical Socialist Party has passed a resolution excluding from the Party M. Sarraut, Minister for the Colonies, and M. La Font, Under Secretary of State for Posts and seven deputies who supported bills contrary to the Party's decisions.

BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES.

LONDON, March 5th.
The Army Estimates for 1924-25 amount to £45,000,000 compared with £32,000,000 last year. The establishment, excluding India, is 132,000 men compared with 104,000 last year.

SPANISH TROOPS FOR MOROCCO.

MADRID, March 5th.
Reports from Valencia, Alicante and Barcelona announce the departure for Morocco of an infantry brigade with stores and artillery.

GERMANO-DUTCH TRADE TREATY.

BERLIN, March 5th.
The Germano-Dutch Trade Treaty which expires on April 1st has been renewed for a period of three years. The prohibitive Import Duty raised in Holland against German footwear will then cease.

REPORTED LOAN FOR SIAM.

LONDON, March 5th.
The Financial News gives currency to a rumour that Siam will shortly issue a £1,000,000 loan in London.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, March 5th.
Following are the results of Tuesday's Scottish League matches:—
Celtic, 1; Clydebank, 2.
St. Mirren, 2; Queen's Park, 0.
Third Lanark, 2; Falkirk, 1.

On Wednesday, in the first division, Notts County and Chelsea played a drawn game, there being no score. In the Scottish league Kilmaronock and Rangers played a drawn game with one goal each and Hamilton defeated Partick by 3 to 1.

OBITUARY.

LADY HUBERT BRAND.

LONDON, March 5th.
The death is announced of Lady Hubert Brand, wife of Rear-Admiral Hon. Sir Hubert (George) Brand.

EARLIER CABLES.

GERMAN DISARMAMENT.
ALLIES DESIRE ENQUIRY.

PARIS, March 5th.
The Conference of Ambassadors, with Marshal Foch present, agreed to the text of a Note to Germany, on the subject of the resumption of military control. The British proposals made last week were adopted in their main lines. The Note claims the right of the Inter-Allied Commission to verify all over Germany whether during 1923, when control ceased, Germany engaged in new military preparations, and whether disarmament can today be considered finally completed. If the German Government agrees to an enquiry, and the results be satisfactory, then the Allies will appoint a committee of guarantees or some similar effective organisation. The German Government must as a preliminary reply satisfactorily to the five demands of the 1923 Note dealing with armaments in the law concerning the export of arms, demilitarisation of the police, etc.

BRITAIN'S NAVAL PROGRAMME.

NO DECISION REGARDING SINGAPORE.

LONDON, March 5th.
In the House of Commons, in reply to Comdr. Kenworthy, Mr. Ammon gave particulars of the reduction of the Japanese naval estimates since the earthquake, which would retard building programme for approximately a year. Comdr. Kenworthy asked whether the Government would alter the British building programme, and Mr. Ammon replied that the British programme would be built up regardless of anyone else. (Liberal cry of "Oh!")

Replying to another question, Mr. Ammon stated that no decision had yet been made with regard to the Singapore base. The matter was at present being considered.

INDIAN FORCES.

PRESENT STRENGTH TO BE MAINTAINED.

DELHI, March 5th.
General Rawlinson in a speech in the Budget debate in the Assembly stated that 18,000 British and 20,000 Indian troops had been retrenched. The total strength of the combatant arms was now two hundred thousand. He declared that no further reduction was possible, with due regard to the country's safety.

FATAL AIR "STUNT."

EVIDENCE AT BIGGINHILL INQUEST.

LONDON, March 5th.
A thrilling story was told at the inquest at Bigginhill on Flying Officer Smith and Sergeant Lister, killed in a flying accident on March 3rd.

The aviator, Pilot Meech said their Vickers-Vimy F. 931, ascended in the morning on a flight for the Air Ministry. Films were being taken from another machine, of operations intended to illustrate an aeroplane shot down and on fire. At 3,500 feet he received a pharanged signal, and ignited a flare. Smith commenced stalling, at a speed of a hundred miles an hour, and dropped to six hundred feet. In the last stall the machine nose-dived, then partially flattened out near a group of trees, but side-slipped, hitting the trees. Witness jumped twenty feet to the ground, just before the machine crashed. The machine caught fire, and the bodies of the victims were incinerated. A verdict of death by misadventure was returned.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY BY-ELECTION.

MR. CHURCHILL CRITICISED.

LONDON, March 5th.
Mr. Churchill in a statement on his candidature for the Westminster Abbey seat says he is now hostile to the Conservative party, which he now recognises to be the rallying ground for opponents of Socialism.

Mr. Nicholson, the Conservative candidate, says he naturally is anti-Socialist, and asks what guarantee there is that Mr. Churchill, in view of his previous record, won't join the Labour Party within a year.

A number of prominent Conservatives have promised to support Mr. Churchill.

ACCIDENT TO THE "COLORADO."

MAIJA, March 5th.
The British steamer Colorado, from Hongkong for Boston, conveyed by the British steamer Ispanto, has arrived for repairs to her engines, which are out of order.

FRANCO-GERMAN DYE AGREEMENT.

PARIS, March 5th.
The dyestuffs agreement Bill, mentioned yesterday, provides for the manufacture under the French Government's control of synthetic nitrates by the Haber process, the patents of which are held by the Badische Company. As the Senate has modified the Bill in the direction of giving the Government more complete control in the manufacture, the Bill must return to the Chamber. It is doubtful whether it will be passed this session.

UNUSUAL PARLIAMENTARY INCIDENT.

LONDON, March 5th.
A very unusual occurrence in the House of Commons was when Major Astor, who had just returned from Egypt, voted in a division yesterday without having taken the oath, consequently he automatically vacated his seat. A new writ is being issued.

[Major Astor (Unionist) was returned unopposed for Dover.]

LATEST CABLES.

REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.

"NO ROCKING OF THE BOAT."
ANOTHER POLITICAL SENSATION IN U.S. SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 5th.

Mr. Heflin (Democrat) caused a sensation in the Senate when, in the course of a debate, he referred to a telegram sent to Mr. McLean at Palm Beach by Mr. Bennett, leader writer on the Washington Post, informing him that he had seen the "Principal" who had assured him there would be "No rocking of the boat, and no resignation."

Mr. Heflin said he was of the opinion that the "Principal" was no less a person than Mr. Coolidge. He stated that the telegram had been sent when the Senate was discussing the necessity for the resignation of Mr. Denby, and suggestions were being made that Mr. Daugherty should resign.

Mr. Heflin asked the Oil Committee should he call Mr. Bennett and question him as to what he meant when he telegraphed that he had seen the principal who "expected reaction from unwarranted political attacks."

MR. DAUGHERTY'S RESIGNATION AGAIN TALKED OF.

NEW YORK, March 5th.
The question of the retirement of Mr. Daugherty has again been given serious attention, and it is even stated that White House is considering the selection of his successor.

One of the reasons for the recrudescence of the demand for his resignation is the alleged disclosures resulting from the Chicago Bureau, during which the Jury reported that Government funds were used for speculation and sums paid to two members of Congress.

The disclosures are stated to relate to matters over which Mr. Daugherty had technical jurisdiction as head of the Department of Justice.

ANGLO-AMERICAN IDEALS.

JUST AND LASTING PLACE FOR THE WORLD.

WASHINGTON, March 4th.
Interviewing Mr. Collidge, Sir Esme Howard, the new British Ambassador, expressed on behalf of the King and Prime Minister cordial and sincere goodwill and friendship towards the United States. He gave an assurance that he would always endeavour to maintain and promote in every possible manner the cordial Anglo-American relations so much desired by every member of the British Empire.

Mr. Collidge cordially reciprocated the greetings, and declared that happily no clouds shadowed the relations between the two countries. He believed and was conscious that the identity of the general aims which the two nations were cherishing, and the similar ideals, disciplined by liberty, truth, and love of justice, would be a mighty force in bringing the world to a just and lasting peace.

CENTRAL AMERICAN EARTHQUAKE.

OVER 400 SHOCKS IN TWELVE HOURS.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, March 5th.
The damage to Government buildings and churches by earthquakes during the past ten days is estimated at \$15,000,000. Private losses are heavy, but the total has not yet been assessed.

There were 411 shocks within twelve hours, but the number of casualties were few, as the first warning shock gave people time to reach safety.

U.S. IMMIGRATION LAWS.

ANOTHER RESTRICTIVE RULING.

NEW YORK, March 5th.
Judge Hand, of the Federal High Court, ruled that wives and minor children of resident aliens were not admissible in excess of the immigration quotas unless it was shown that the resident alien had married while on a temporary visit abroad.

Mr. Thomas, Assistant United States Attorney, states that the decision will have immediate restrictive effects.

EARLIER CABLES.

LIQUOR REFERENDUM.

REGINA (Saskatchewan), March 5th.
The Legislature has passed a Bill fixing July 21st as the date of the referendum regarding the Government sale of liquor.

U.S. DESERTERS PARDONED.

WASHINGTON, March 5th.
President Coolidge has pardoned all persons convicted of desertion from the forces of the United States during the war.

Mrs. R. P. C. Master, of Shanghai, who is going home for a year, was entertained last week at a reception by the Sports Section of the British Women's Association, whose first Chairman she was.

Mr. Charles Kliene, completed last week 40 years' service in the Chinese Maritime Customs, having received his appointment to the London office from the late Sir Robert Hart on March 1st, 1884. Mr. Kliene, who says that leap year has exacted one day more from him, has a longer record of service than any other official, foreign or Chinese, now with the Customs, though he has not yet reached the age limit.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

"DAILY MAIL" SAYS SCHEME "WILL BE DROPPED."

LONDON, March 5th.

Notwithstanding Mr. Ammon's statement in the House of Commons, the Daily Mail understands that at a Cabinet meeting held yesterday a report was received from Mr. Clynes, chairman of the Sub-Committee on the Singapore base proposal.

The Daily Mail says there is good reason to state that the Government has decided not to proceed with the project, and the newspaper advances the opinion that resignations from the Board of the Admiralty are to be expected unless the Government announces that it has overriden the Naval Staff's advice.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S INSURANCE PROPOSAL.

TOKYO, March 5th.

The Privy Council is not willing to accept the Government's insurance proposal. It is understood that the Government has decided to pay the subsidy on its own responsibility, after which it will obtain the sanction of the Diet.

ANTI-JAPANESE MEASURES AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

LONDON, March 5th.

According to news from Moscow the anti-Japanese measures at Vladivostock are due to the non-existence of any Russo-Japanese treaty. The Russian view is that the Japanese officials have no right in Vladivostock, the Japanese being only there by courtesy of the Soviet Government.

It is pointed out that three conferences with a view to a resumption of normal relations during the past two years have proved abortive, owing to the alleged Japanese intransigence; also there is considerable annoyance at Moscow owing to the obstacles placed in the way of the Soviet Mission sent to assist the victims of the earthquake in Japan.

BRITAIN'S SHARE OF BOXER INDEMNITY.

LONDON, March 5th.

In the House of Commons, asked whether steps would be taken with regard to the remission of the Boxer Indemnity, and whether with a view to promotion of more friendly relations with China arrangements for utilisation of the indemnity payments can be expedited, Mr. Ponsonby said that legislation would be necessary to give effect to that policy. A Government Bill had been drafted and would be introduced shortly.

NO PREMATURE INDEPENDENCE FOR PHILIPPINES.

WASHINGTON, March 5th.

President Coolidge has informed the Philippine Independence Mission of his opinion that the time has not yet come to separate the Philippines from the United States. In a letter to the chairman of the Mission, Mr. Coolidge declares the United States is fully confident of the ability, good intentions, fairness and sincerity of General Wood. In the present state of world relationship, America owes an obligation to continue to extend the protecting arm to the people of these islands.

SMASHING UP THE HOME.

VIOLENT WOMAN ASKS TO BE SENTENCED TO DEATH.

A woman named Leung Shi who complained that her separation allowance (\$90 per month) arranged by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs was not large enough, was charged at the Magistracy, yesterday morning, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, with disorderly conduct and with breaking various articles of furniture, the property of her sister-in-law, who lives at No. 121, Jervois Street.

The defendant's husband told the Magistrate that twelve years ago the defendant was granted a separation allowance on the order of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. This allowance was still paid.

Inspector Purden said the woman had previously been examined as to the state of her mind. She was found sane but subject to occasional fits of temper.

The Magistrate found the case proved and imposed a fine of \$25, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, on the first count, and ordered her to pay \$30 compensation, or spend an extra month in gaol, on the second count.

The defendant then commenced to create a disturbance in Court, shouting that she only went there to look for her husband and to complain to him that her allowance was not sufficient. She refused to leave the Court, and denounced the cruelty of the Government. She implored that she might be sentenced to death, and struggled so violently that three police officers were required to remove her.

THE CHUNG HUA SHING KUNG HUI.

THE GENERAL SYNOD OF 1924.

[BY THE RIGHT REV. H. S. MOLONY, D.D., BISHOP IN CHIEF.]

The meeting to be held in Canton this March is the 5th meeting of the General Synod. The first meeting was held in 1912. This gathering, with those of 1915 and 1918, was held at St. John's University in Shanghai. The meeting of 1921 was held in Wuchang in Central China. This is the first time that the General Synod has come to the Southern Capital. The General Synod was the outcome of five different Anglican Societies combining into one Church.

This act of unity, which was consummated in 1912 after several preliminary conferences, has proved very effective, though the reactions which combined to make up this Church were diverse in nationality and tradition, yet the bond of union has grown stronger and stronger through the years, and especially as each triennial meeting brings delegates together from all parts of China. The Church inherits great traditions. It is the true child in China of all those elements of Church life in England, the United States, and Canada which are familiarly known under the term Anglican. The Church holds firmly the Catholic Faith as handed down through the ages in the Holy Scriptures and Creeds, it holds of high importance the two Sacraments ordained by Christ Himself, and it maintains the three-fold Ministry through episcopal ordination. Its simple and dignified ceremonial is familiar to all and is highly valued by its adherents in this country. This Church has the task of interpreting this ancient type of Christianity to the Chinese, and it is essential that its leaders should meet periodically and take counsel as to the development of the Church.

THE ACTUOSITY OF THE CHINESE CHURCH.

It is the policy of the Church to develop its organisation gradually as the life of the Church demands it, and one of the chief functions of the General Synod is to draw up Canons for the whole Church. In 1912 the constitution of the Church in its General Synod was promulgated, with a preamble which defined the doctrinal and historic basis on which the Church rests. In subsequent meetings the Board of Missions and ordination to the Ministry. The object was to make the Church a Missionary Church from the start, and to provide a well-trained, tested, and properly ordered ministry.

The following important resolution was passed in 1921:

Resolved: that in the opinion of this General Synod the time has come when steps should be taken to complete the organization of the Chung Hua Shing Kung Hui, with a view to securing its recognition as an autonomous Church within the Anglican Communion in accordance with the principles set forth in Resolution 42 of the Lambeth Conference; and to this end the Standing Committee on Canons is hereby instructed to draw up Canons:—

(a) establishing the authority of the General Synod;

(b) providing for metropolitan oversight or some constitutional substitute therefor;

(c) providing for the election and consecration of Diocesan Bishops;

(d) providing for the discipline of the Clergy;

The Committee on Canons has been working on this subject and will be prepared to bring forward new Canons under these instructions.

It will be observed that the object is to complete the organization of the C.H.S.K.H. so as to make it capable of being recognised as an autonomous church of the Anglican group. Such a recognition of autonomy, if it were complete, would have far reaching effects in China, particularly it would mean that Bishops, hitherto appointed from England, the United States and Canada would be chosen in China. This however is not likely to be completely conceded while episcopal stipends, and a large part of mission expenditure, have to be met from abroad, and of course it will remain a matter for some special arrangement how the Bishop of Victoria in the British colony of Hongkong is to be appointed.

Metropolitan oversight takes various forms in the mother churches: in England and Canada there are Archbishops, in the United States a Presiding Bishop. What title and what functions will attach to the office of the leading Bishop in China, how he shall be elected, and whether the office shall be attached to a particular Bishopric, these will be questions that must be discussed at the coming Synod.

THE POSITION OF WOMEN IN THE CHURCH.

This will be the first meeting of the General Synod at which women may sit as delegates, and it is to be hoped that some of the Dioceses will claim the privilege to elect some women as their representatives. Women already sit in some of the Diocesan Synods. A special committee has to report on the Diocesan for Women and on the position of lay-women in the services of the church, and the report of this Committee will bring up the whole subject for discussion. It may be taken for granted that the Chinese opinion on this subject will be liberal and progressive for it is a fact that Chinese Christian women are "making good" in education and in other forms of service for the general community.

CHURCH UNITY.

It is not very likely that the question of church unity will occupy much attention at this meeting. The whole object was dealt with in 1921, the year following the Lambeth Conference, and a comprehensive series of resolutions was passed. These have been published in the form of a pamphlet, with the Lambeth resolutions, and widely distributed, but there is not yet any other Protestant

Church in China fully organized on a nation-wide basis: the Anglican Church however looks forward to the time when the Presbyterian Assembly will be an effective instrument for that great Church, and may perhaps include other groups as well and cheer for China, for it is possible to agree upon the 5th Resolution of the General Synod of 1921 which was as follows:—

"That the General Synod request the Chairmen of the two Houses in co-operation with the Standing Committee on Unity to undertake the task of opening negotiations towards Unity, as opportunity may offer, with other Christian Churches in China."

THE PRAYER BOOK.

The Standing Committee on the Prayer Book has been busy in the interval since the last General Synod and it is expected to produce a considerable amount of material in the form of additional prayers to enrich the Prayer Books now in use in the various Dioceses in China. It is possible that steps may be taken towards a common Prayer Book for China, for it has not yet been found possible to drop the Prayer Books used in the different Missions from their early days in favour of any one type. The time being devoted to this subject in the National Church Assembly in England shows how difficult the question is, and perhaps the Chinese Church would be wise to wait until liturgicalists in England have come to an agreement.

PRACTICAL QUESTIONS.

Two subjects of practical importance will occupy the attention of the Synod, the report of the General Synod's Mission at Sianfu in North China and the report of the Central Theological School in Nanking. Both of these activities of the General Synod are progressing steadily, and demand what all healthy children need, food and exercise. They are healthy babies and growing apace, and they are demanding more and stronger nourishment. The parents are proud of them and are called upon to make sacrifice for them, and the General Synod is the occasion when the parents meet and discuss ways and means and the hope for the future. The hope of the family lies here, for the Church's mission and the Church's ministry are essential factors in the extension and consolidation of what has been already achieved.

VISIT OF BISHOPS TO HONGKONG.

THE CONFERENCE AND SYNOD.

More Bishops will be seen in Hongkong next week than ever before. It is estimated that at least fifteen will be resident in the Colony for a short time within the next ten days. In addition, many delegates from all parts of China will be with the Bishops, passing through on their way to the General Synod of the Chinese Church, to be held at Canton from 16th to the 23rd March.

The following Bishops will attend the Synod:—

Bishop Graves of Chekiang.

" Hind of Foochow.

" Danson of Labuan and Sarawak.

" Norris of Fokien.

" Mosher of Philippine Islands.

" Molony of Shanghai.

" Ferguson-Davie of Singapore.

" Scott of Shantung.

with Bishop Hine, Bishop Roots, Bishop Huntington, Bishop Banister, Bishop White, and a Chinese Bishop.

It is expected that several Bishops will arrive in time to attend the Church of England Diocesan Conference, which takes place in St. John's Cathedral Hall, Hongkong, on Monday, March 10th.

There are two sessions; both of them open to the public. At the first (9.40 a.m.) the Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong, will deliver his Presidential address. The meeting will then consider the constitution of the Church of England Diocesan Conference and appoint a Standing Committee. There follows a discussion, to be opened by the Rev. R. J. Northcott, C.F., on "Where is the Church failing?"

The evening session is from 5.15 to 6.45 p.m. Bishop Molony will speak on the subject of "What is meant by a Mission of Help? Do we need one in the Far East?" The Bishop of Singapore will follow with "Some Practical Suggestions."

The question of a Mission of Help is of great importance for the progress of Christianity in the Far East, and many will avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing two such eminent authorities.

On Friday, the 14th inst., the visiting Bishops will be welcomed by the members of the Victorian Diocesan Association in a great meeting to be held in the City Hall. Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m., and the meeting (at which the Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong, and Sir Claud Severn will speak) begins at 6.15 p.m. Invitations for this meeting can be obtained from the Cathedral Chaplains.

GERMANY AND EASTERN TRADE.

A BRITISH SHIPPING EXPERT'S VIEW.

Mr. R. W. Thornton, of Messrs. Alfred Holt & Co., writing on Far Eastern Shipping in the Liverpool Post says:—

"This article has nothing to do with politics, but if people insist on asking for the most conspicuous event in the history of Far Eastern shipping during 1923, the answer is painfully simple. It is the invasion of the Ruhr. A year ago Germany was almost the biggest customer in the Far East. In March 1923, Germany virtually ceased to buy."

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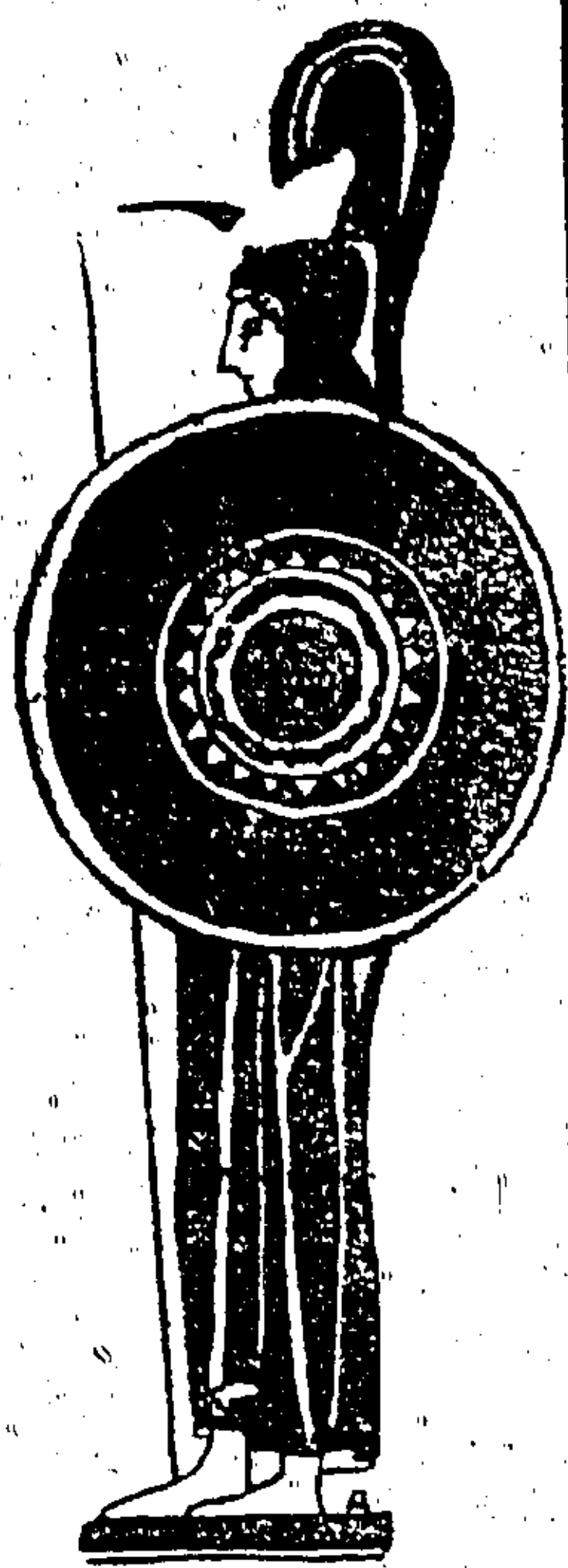
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SPORT.

TENNIS.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

The games in the Open Championship Singles were played yesterday, the victors being N. Trambitsky, O. Runjahn, and R. E. Worthington. The match between Trambitsky and Assumpcao was a close struggle, the match going to the full five sets. Trambitsky was extended at times, his opponent taking care to get everything back. He also had good control over the ball and could place it just where he pleased. Towards the end Trambitsky was placing badly and put lots of easy balls out of Court. The match between Runjahn and E. De Souza showed both men to be exponents of the chop stroke. Runjahn was certainly the better man, though De Souza deserved the set he secured. The other match was well contested and Major Wilson played a much better game than the score suggests.

In the handicap doubles S. E. and D. S. Green beat H. R. Remington and W. A. Nowers by two sets to one. The handicapping made the match a very keen struggle. Most of the work on the side of the winning couple fell on the shoulders of S. E. Green, who played a very fine game. Remington, for the losing pair, also worked hard but he found the older Green very difficult to beat.

Scores:—

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.—N. Trambitsky beat C. d'Assumpcao, 6-2, 3-6, 7-5, 2-6, 6-3; O. Runjahn beat E. de Souza, 6-0, 6-3, 10-6; R. E. Worthington beat C. Wilson, 6-4, 6-4, 5-2.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—S. E. and D. S. Green (+4,6) beat H. R. Remington and W. A. Nowers (+6/0), 4-6, 7-5, 6-4.

TODAY'S MATCHES.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.—F. Wheeler v. Kwok Po Kwan.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.—F. A. Redmond and R. E. Worthington v. Hung and Hung; H. E. Grace and A. B. Raworth v. H. D. and O. Runjahn.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.—L. Forster v. H. Remington.

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."—P. E. Barker (+15) v. A. Stevens (+5/6).

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

MISS GRACE THE WINNER.

Yesterday the final of the Ladies' Recreation Club was played at the Ladies' Recreation Club and resulted in a win for Miss Grace who defeated Mrs. Mitchell by two straight sets, the scores being 6-2, 6-3.

LAUNCH AS A GAMBLING DEN.

ELEVEN MEN CHARGED.

When the police raided a launch named the *Chinese Prince* the other night, between Blake Pier and the Star Ferry Wharf, they found a number of people gambling on board with stakes to the value of \$64.88 on the table. Yesterday the gamblers, 11 of them, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with gambling. Two of the eleven were also charged with being keepers. Mr. Hind said the first defendant pleaded "Guilty" to keeping a gambling den. The second defendant denied this charge. The other nine defendants pleaded "Guilty." Inspector Cashman accepted the pleas and the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$100 on the first defendant and fined the remainder \$3 each.

ABSENT FROM DUTY.

SHIP'S GUARD SENT TO PRISON.

Rolla Khan, an Indian watchman of the s.s. *Hydrabad* was charged at the Marine Magistrate, yesterday, under the Merchant Shipping Act with being absent from his place of duty. The watchman had been granted one hour's leave when the ship was in Swatow and failed to return to time.

Pleading "not guilty," the defendant stated that he was a stranger in Swatow, and lost his way. On reaching the harbor some few hours later, he found the ship had sailed.

Lieut. Comdr. Conway Hake, R.N., sentenced the defendant to one month's hard labour, and drew attention to the seriousness of the absence of guards when piracy was so prevalent.

SCREEN FIRE EPIC AT THE CORONET.

Glamour attaches to the very name of the film now showing at the Coronet Theatre, "The Third Alarm"—what dramatic foreshadowing, what exciting moments, what thrilling exploits, this title suggests in the mind of even the coldest hearer. With this great fire epic of the screen it does not suggest them in vain, for "The Third Alarm" is a picture intense with dramatic interest. Let this mislead anyone into thinking that it is merely a "shocker," one must have to add that more than one other element is included—romance, pathos, and comedy—to make it also essentially human. "The Third Alarm" may contain one of the most thrilling screen rescues ever filmed, but it possesses some of the most touching and some of the most amusing sidelights that ever lent happy contrast to drama. Briefly put, it is real life.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1924. [430]

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst., at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

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Goods not cleared by the 10th March, 1924, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 8th March, 1924, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for cargo short delivered must be presented on the special form, provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

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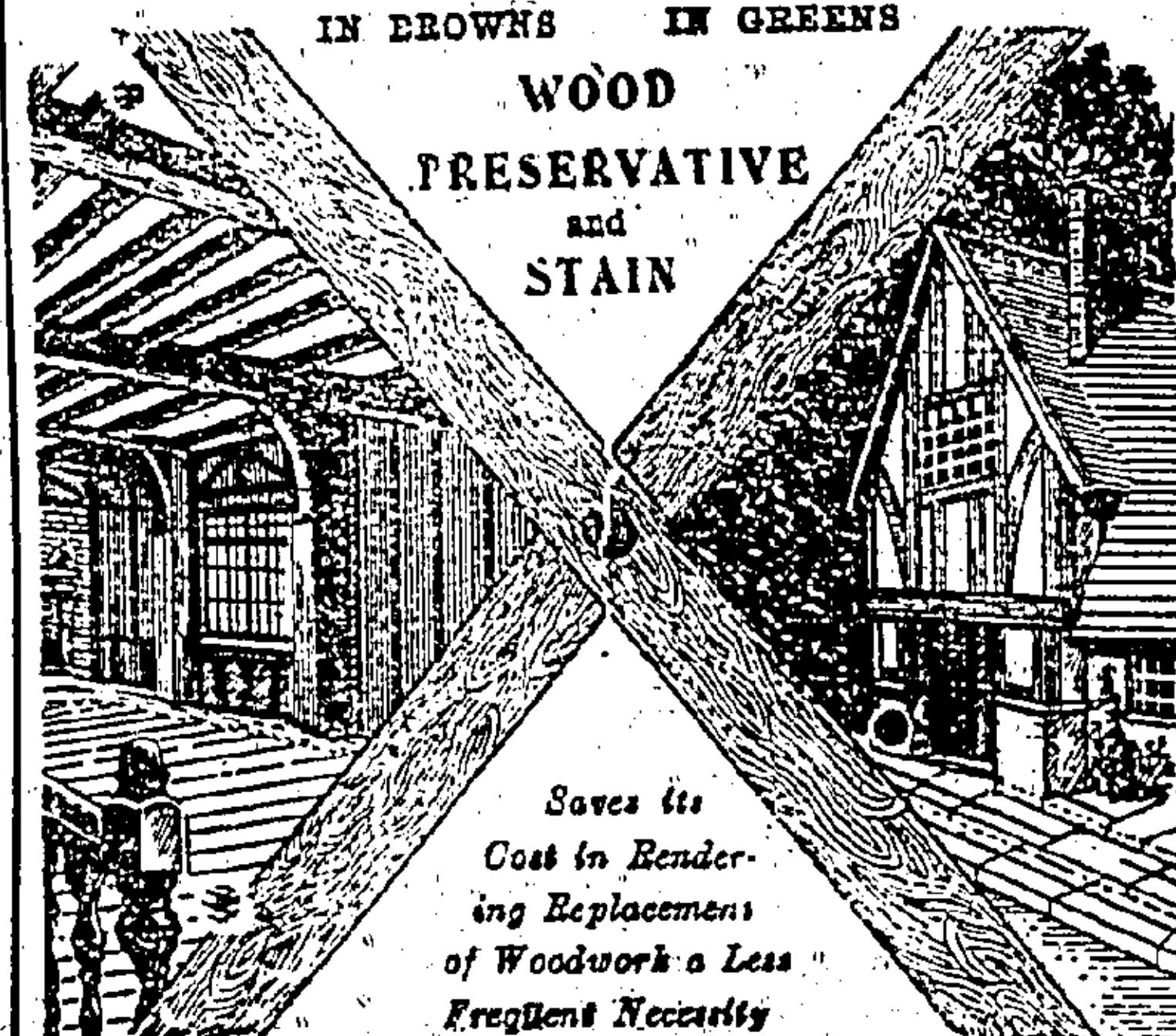
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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst. will be subject to rent.

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S.S. "OLDEKERK" ...	...	" "	3rd June

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Steamers	Ports		Sailing on or about
S.S. "MAPIA"	Amsterdam, Rotterdam,	Hamburg & Bremen	8th Apr., 1924
S.S. "ALDERAMIN"	Rotterdam, Amsterdam,	Hamburg & Bremen	Beg. of May, "
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SHANGHAI via SWATOW		"KINGSING"	Tuesday, 11th Mar., 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW		"HANGSANG"	Tuesday, 11th Mar., 1 p.m.
TSINGTAI via SWATOW			
" SHANGHAI		"FAUSANG"	Wednesday, 12th Mar., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI		"ESANG"	Wednesday, 12th Mar., 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN		"CHUSANG"	Wednesday, 12th Mar., 1 p.m.
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SHANGHAI		"KWONGSANG"	Friday, 14th Mar., 7 a.m.
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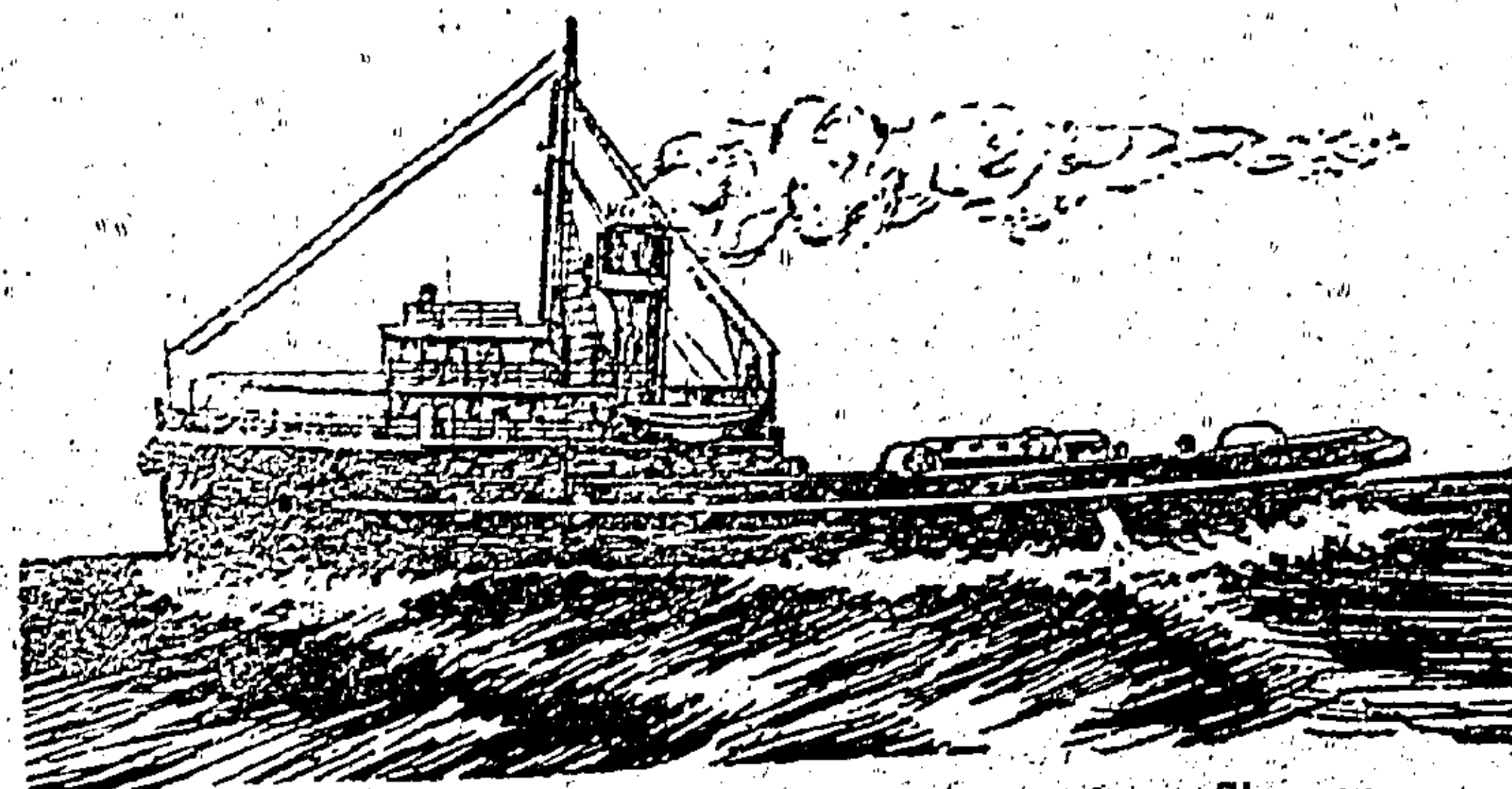
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"PERIM"	7,848	20th March	Singapore, Penang & Bombay.
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"KASHGAR"	8,840	14th June	Mars, London & Antwerp.
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"KALYAN"	9,118	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,563	11th Apr.	do.
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 8th Mar., 10 a.m.
TIENSIN	"HUOHOW"	On 9th Mar., Noon
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 11th Mar., D.L.
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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 11th Mar., 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KANGKOW"	On 12th Mar., D.L.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KUNGHOW"	On 12th Mar., 9 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LOOCHOW"	On 13th Mar., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 15th Mar., D.L.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon	Sunday, 13th Apr.
"GANGES MARU"	Monday, 14th Apr.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Shanghai and Japan Ports	Sunday, 13th Apr.
"ALABAMA MARU"	Beginning of Mar.
NEW YORK via Japan Ports, San Francisco and Panama	...
"ALASKA MARU"	...
JAPAN PORTS—Mo, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama & Nagoya	...
KEELUNG & SWATOW & AMOY	...
"YALO MARU"	...
"AMAKURA MARU"	...
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY	...
"KOTSU MARU"	...
TAKAO & KEELUNG	...

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